



# UPPER ISLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION

## UIA – EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

April 24, 2010

Quality Inn, Parksville 2pm

**Members Present:** Deryck Cowling (UI Chair), Kathy Campbell (UI Director), Kevin Cowie (UI Director), Peter Hertzberg (UI Director), Darrin McLeod (UI Director), Sean Arbour (Campbell River), Mike Cochrane (Oceanside), Bill Dawson (Nanaimo), Shawn Fiddick (Nanaimo), Kevin Unger (Powell River), Paul West (Comox Valley).  
Guests: Courtney Bardonner, Administrator

### **Roll Call/Credentials**

Weighted votes-NYSA-3, CRYSA-2, CVUSC-3, OYSS-1, PRYSA-1, AVYSA-1.

### **Call to Order**

Introduction of Guests

### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**MOTION: To adopt minutes from April 25, 2009, Annual General Meeting.**

Moved: Kevin Unger

Seconded: Bill Dawson

**CARRIED**

### **Correspondence**

- a) BC Gov't Society Renewal Notice

### **Executive Annual Reports**

- a) **Chair's Annual Report:** Deryck Cowling, see attached report
- b) **Discipline Committee Report:** Kevin Cowie reported: discipline infractions down from last year, only 3 red cards, no coaches or teams.
- c) **Technical Committee Report:** Darrin McLeod, none.
- d) **Scheduling Committee Report (Girl's Team):** Kathy Campbell, see attached report.

### **Financial Statements**

See attached Annual Financial Statement report

**MOTION: To adopt Financial Statements as presented**

Moved: Peter Hertzberg

Seconded: Kevin Unger

**CARRIED**

**Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws**

**MOTION: To add to Page (2) Section (2) Subsection (a) of the Constitution:**

#47 (Powell River) under the auspices of the Powell River YSA; #68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) under the auspices of the Mid-Isle YSC north of the Chemainus River and south of the Nanaimo River; the Nanaimo YSC north of the Nanaimo River and the Gabriola YSC on Gabriola Island; #69 (Qualicum) under the auspices of Oceanside YSC; #70 (Alberni) under the auspices of the Alberni YSA including Tofino and Ucluelet; #71 (Comox Valley) under the auspices of the Comox United SC; # 72 (Campbell River); and #84 (Vancouver Is. West) under the auspices of the Campbell River YSA.

Moved: Deryck Cowling                      Seconded: Bill Dawson                      **CARRIED**

**MOTION: To add to Page (8) Section (17) Subsection (d) of the Bylaws:** A delegate must be able to provide written proof that they are the accredited delegate for their club and entitled to vote on the member-club's behalf.

Moved: Deryck Cowling                      Seconded: Peter Hertzberg                      **CARRIED**

**MOTION: To add to Page (8) Section (17), a new subsection, (f) to the Bylaws:** Each UISA director has one vote.

Moved: Deryck Cowling                      Seconded: Kevin Unger                      **CARRIED**

Revised Constitution and Bylaws to be posted on UISA website

**Amendments to Rules and Regulations**

None

**Election of Officers**

**a) Report of Nomination Committee**

Shawn Fiddick to conduct election-4 positions open and 2 directors up for re-election

**b) Call for nominations**

Deryck Cowling nominated Kathy Campbell

**ACCEPTED**

Darrin McLeod nominated Peter Hertzberg

**ACCEPTED**

**Nominations Closed** – still need 2 more directors

**New Business**

No New Business

**Motion to Adjourn**

**MOTION: To Adjourn**

Moved: Kevin Cowie                      Seconded: Peter Hertzberg                      **CARRIED**

**Future Meeting Dates**

**UISA Executive Meeting**

Monday, May 31, 2010 at Quality Inn, Parksville – 7:00 PM

**Proposed-UISA General Meeting**

August 22, 2010; November 7, 2010; and January 15, 2011

**Proposed-UISA Annual General Meeting**

April 23, 2011



## Chairman's Report

April 23, 2010

The past season has been a challenging one, not only in the Upper Island but across the province as witnessed by leveling and declining registrations overall. In some instances such as in the UI, we have seen a significant shift in player registrations from the winter season to the Spring along with other demographic changes affecting our numbers of both players and volunteers. This has prompted some clubs to revisit their programs and to put a greater emphasis on re-building their recreational programs. This in turn has prompted fewer teams to enter the UI Development League and resulted in a need to review our District programs overall. This on-going process was revisited recently with UI clubs engaging in a planning dialogue to seek out new ways in which we can better foster and grow the game for all. This is not an easy process given the constraints of our geography, the desire for opportunities to play the game at differing levels, organizational limitations, etc. to name a few. But it is vital that we continue to engage in the process and, as a district, we will continue to work with our clubs and other soccer partners to reach consensus on how we can better deliver programs that meet the needs of our members.

Despite the challenges, many games were played and much good soccer resulted. We continued to promote futsal as an alternative competition in late winter by hosting two successful futsal festivals in both Nanaimo and Cumberland, and more clubs are participating in futsal at the local level as well. Last spring, we had a number of UI teams do very well in the Island Invitational Cup on Saltspring and a record eleven teams play in Provincial A and B Cup play in July. The Oceanside Club hosted a well-attended U-12 festival and Nanaimo YSC hosted the UISA's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Mini World Cup. Currently we are looking forward to hosting the Tenth Mini World Cup in Alberni next weekend and the 46<sup>th</sup> edition of the Island Invitational Cup in Qualicum on May 8-9<sup>th</sup>.

Next season we are hopeful that we will see a revitalization of our league play and renewed growth at our grassroots level. We have continually explored the possibility of interlocking play with Lower Island teams and we finally have a commitment for some of their older teams to do so on a limited basis in September. Hopefully we can grow on that commitment but it is not as easy to do as some might think. We need to grow our own leagues in a manner that works for us.

Finally, I wish to thank our executive on your behalf. It has been a difficult year starting with the need to re-organize after the resignation of our chair in September and the on-going challenge of securing an administrator-scheduler over the past two years. As a result, some of our directors have had a very heavy load in terms of scheduling and dealing with other administration tasks as well as coping with their responsibilities as directors. We are optimistic that much of that is behind us with the recent hiring of Courtney Bardonner as our new Administrator. As always, we remain hopeful that others will step forward to assist us in supporting and growing the game in the Upper Island.

Submitted by:  
*Deryck Cowling,*  
Chair~UISA

## **Schedulers Report – Girls 2009-2010 Season**

The 2009-2010 season saw 15 girls teams participate in the following age break down in the UISA league:

U13 – 4  
U14 – 2  
U15 – 3  
U16 – 2  
U17 – 2  
U18 – 2

Teams were distributed between three divisions for play, based on age and ability.

Divisions were:

U13/14 - 4  
U14/15/16 – 5  
U16/17/18 - 6

These divisions allowed competitive play and the opportunity for teams to develop and be challenged. Once in cup play UISA advanced to become the Island qualifiers in BCSA Provincial play in three of the five divisions; U15, U17, U18. LISA does not participate at the U13 level so the UISA team also has advanced in this division.

UISA also had two participants; U13 and U18 teams in the Coastal Classic Cup. The U18 team, CVUSC Hot Spurs become the Champion for the second year in a row.

UISA has been asked to take on hosting all or some of this event in the future.

League play was divided into three seasons:

Fall Outdoor (Sept 13 – Nov 29 – 11 wks)

Futsal (various; tournament play, inter club play)

Winter outdoor (Jan 24-Mar 28 5 -7 weeks depending on age also including cup play downs, spring break, Easter).

Interlocking play with LISA continues to be desirable for many clubs participating at the B Cup level. UISA initiated a meeting with LISA early in the season and along with many other topics discussed this possibility at length. LISA was very clear that they have no desire to completing interlock with the UISA league at this time or in the near future. Headway was made on this front in the form of agreement that the two districts would meet in tournament play in the 2010 – 2011 season.

The determination of a season structure and dates for league play continue to be a yearly challenge. As districts around the Province review their own programs continual changes will occur in this area. UISA also needs to continue to determine at what level they wish to participate in outside events such as the various Coastal cups, Provincial play and Island Cup. Decisions on participation in these events will help to structure league play.

UISA was faced with many challenges in the formation of league play this season as many clubs sought alternative forms of play for their members. The future of the UISA league will continue to be influenced by changing demographics and needs of individual clubs and players. Hopefully through open communication and involvement of all clubs a structure can be agreed upon that will best suit the needs of member clubs.

Kathy Campbell  
UISA Director/Girls Scheduler

**Upper Island Soccer Association  
April 2009 through March 2010**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**Income**

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4005 · Bank Interest	73.90
4040 · Futsal	1,200.00
4070 · BCSA travel grants-transfer	1,313.64
4090 · Performance Bonds-In Trust	300.00
4110 · BCSA-Reim.Officials	1,200.00
4130 · Registration (Fall)	140,538.00
4170 · Registration (Late)	2,445.00
4190 · Registration (Spring)	26,933.00
4195 · Sanction/Appeal	250.00
4200 · Bond Recovery	1,880.00

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**Total Income** 176,133.54

**Expense**

6020 · Administrative Assistant	1,935.00
6025 · Advertising/Marketing	371.84
6030 · BCSA & UISA General Meetings	1,349.67
6060 · Bookkeeping/Audit	137.50
6120 · B Cup Expense	2,493.40
6130 · Bank Charges	(4.06)
6150 · Bond Transfer	880.00
6250 · C Cup Expense	174.47
6570 · Futsal Expense	1,112.24
7228 · Mini World Cup	500.00
7230 · Miscellaneous Expense	161.61
7425 · Office Supplies,Mail/Forms	146.43
7725 · Registration Expense Fall	126,017.00
7730 · Rental Executive Meetings	286.13
7850 · Registration Spring	23,416.00
7855 · Sponsorship	500.00
7980 · Travel Grants Transfer	1,313.64
7985 · Travel Grants Upper Island	3,300.00

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**Total Expense** 164,090.87

**Net Income** 12,042.67